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## 2.0 PATRON ELIGIBILITY

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2.1 The status of the sponsor determines eligibility of child(ren) to enroll in Navy CDPs. Eligible patrons include military personnel, DoD civilian personnel paid from APFs and NAFs, reservists on active duty or inactive duty for training, DoD contractors, and retired members. First priority is child care for active duty and DoD civilian personnel. Installation commanders shall establish a priority system that is supportive of operational readiness, mission accomplishment and retention.

2.1.1 Priorities for CDC-based care shall be made known to all eligible patrons.

2.1.2 Recommended priority of access to Navy CDCs for full-day care follows:

- (1) Active duty single parents with custody and active duty dual military couples
- (2) All other active duty with a full-time working spouse (CDP staff may receive priority within this group)
- (3) All other active duty
- (4) DoD civilian employees

**NOTE:** Members of other Services assigned to Navy installations or served by Navy housing may be given equal access to CDCs as Navy members.

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2.1.3 Commanding officers have the option to adjust priorities to meet mission requirements.

**NOTE:** Commanding officers may, within the constraints of efficient fiscal and space management and appropriate utilization levels, provide services to members of the Guards and Reserves.

2.1.4 CDC waiting lists should reflect patron priority of access.

- When there is no waiting list, spaces may be allocated to all authorized patrons on a first come, first served basis.

2.1.5 DD 2606, Request for Care Record (see Section 32), shall be used to maintain CDC waiting lists.

2.2 If the unmet need for active duty and civilian personnel in the first priority exceeds 20 percent of the available child care space (CDC and FCC), the commanding officer shall take appropriate action to expand the availability of care through resource and referral in order to offer quality, affordable options.

2.2.1 Commanding officers may meet the need for school age care through the use of youth facilities, schools, and other appropriate community facilities.

2.2.2 Requests for hourly care and part-day programs may be met by using other suitable facilities or programs such as FCC.